

Order of the Panel

Pursuant to NAFTA Article 1904.8, the Panel remanded SECOFI's Final Determination to SECOFI for action not inconsistent with its decision. In particular, it directed SECOFI to issue a new determination within 21 days that terminates the proceeding against the Complainants and provides that:

1. The exports of USX and Bethlehem of the goods subject to this proceeding enter Mexican territory with zero antidumping duties applied to them upon their importation; and

2. Any cash deposits or customs bonds relative to antidumping duties made or posted by the importers, in order to import the goods manufactured by USX and Bethlehem, be refunded or cancelled as appropriate.

Dated: September 5, 1995.

James R. Holbein,

United States Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat.

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National Institute of Standards and Technology**Notice of Government Owned Inventions Available for Licensing**

SUMMARY: The inventions listed below are owned by the U.S. Government, as represented by the Department of Commerce, and are available for licensing in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 207 and 37 CFR Part 404 to achieve expeditious commercialization of results of federally funded research and development.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Technical and licensing information on these inventions may be obtained by writing to: Marcia Salkeld, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Office of Technology Commercialization, Physics Building, Room B-256, Gaithersburg, MD 20899; Fax 301-869-2751. Any request for information should include the NIST Docket No. and Title for the relevant invention as indicated below.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The inventions available for licensing are:

NIST Docket No. 93-063

Title: Polymeric Amorphous Calcium Phosphate Compositions.

Description: Polymeric composites that can provide long-term release of calcium and phosphate ions in biological environments at levels conducive to the formation of hydroxyapatite have been developed. These composites utilize as their filler phase amorphous calcium phosphate,

which is highly soluble and rapidly converts to hydroxyapatite. Such biomaterials have the potential to remineralize defective mineralized tissues such as bone or teeth.

NIST Docket No. 94-043

Title: Low Cost Renewable Polishing Lap.

Description: Researchers in the Precision Engineering Division at the National Institute of Standards and Technology have developed a new method for the fabrication of laps wherein the substrate never contacts the polishing media or part being polished. The invention provides the potential to eliminate contamination of the part and/or degradation of the substrate. The concept offers the potential to significantly lower costs in appropriate applications.

NIST Docket No. 95-023D

Title: Methods and Electrolyte Compositions for Electrodepositing Chromium Coatings.

Description: A NIST process deposits chromium plating up to 600 microns thick. The plating process uses nontoxic trivalent chromium to produce a plating three to four times harder, after heating, than depositions using hexavalent chromium.

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Samuel Kramer,

Associate Director.

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Open Forum on Laboratory Accreditation

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an Open Forum for discussion of issues in laboratory accreditation. The forum is co-sponsored by ACIL (formerly American Council of Independent Laboratories), the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), and the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). We invite all interested parties to attend and participate in defining needs for a more streamlined system to eliminate current duplication and unnecessary costs in laboratory accreditation. We hope to stimulate discussion on means for achieving greater compatibility, coordination, and mutual recognition of competent laboratory accreditation programs.

DATES: The forum will take place on Friday, October 13, 1995, at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The forum will be held in the Red Auditorium at the National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, Maryland.

To register to attend the Open Forum and pay the \$50 registration fee, interested parties may contact Lori Phillips, NIST, Administration Building, Room B-116, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899, (301) 975-4513, facsimile (301) 948-2067.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Belinda Collins, Director, Office of Standards Services, NIST, (301) 975-4000, facsimile (301) 963-2871.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

NIST, ACIL, and ANSI have explored issues facing both the private sector and government in laboratory accreditation. Multiple, duplicate assessments occur frequently for many laboratories, wasting resources for all parties. Procedures need to be developed, toward a goal of one assessment per laboratory, that are in accord with international guidelines and recognized by all who require laboratory accreditation. Laboratories, accreditors, industry, and federal and state governments must be considered, and the procedures must mesh with domestic and international requirements.

Problems of multiple and/or duplicate accreditations result from accreditation requirements that lack assurance for reciprocity, or constrain acceptance from outside sectors. Challenges raised by the National Research Council study, Standards, Conformity, Assessment and Trade," * * * domestic policies and procedures for assessing conformity of products and processes to standards require urgent improvement" must be addressed.

Speakers will address accreditation issues and problems related to trade needs, international perspectives, and U.S. economic impacts. They will consider the need for joint approaches by the private sector and government to further opportunities for greater acceptance of and reciprocity in laboratory accreditation programs.

Forum Announcement*Laboratory Accreditation in the United States*

ACIL, ANSI, and NIST are cosponsoring an Open Forum for discussion of issues in laboratory accreditation. The forum will be an opportunity to define the needs for a more streamlined system to eliminate current duplication and unnecessary costs. There is widespread agreement

that the current situation results in unnecessary burdens. The forum is intended to stimulate discussion on means for achieving greater compatibility, coordination, and mutual recognition of competent laboratory accreditations. All interested parties are invited to attend and to express their views.

To date, several task groups have assessed the problems encountered by their communities. The various stakeholders include laboratories and their customers, accreditation organizations, industry, and government at all levels. They report overlapping and contradictory requirements among regulations, contractual specifications, and other voluntary applications, as well as a lack of reciprocity among bodies. The consequent duplication of effort costs time and money and seriously degrades U.S. competitiveness in domestic and global markets.

Laboratories, accreditors, manufacturers, the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Conference (NELAC), and government representatives, both federal and state, will present their views. They will discuss the cost of multiple accreditations for individual laboratories; conflicting requirements of those requiring accreditation; special programs tailored to narrow customer or supplier bases; non-uniformity of requirements and lack of reciprocity; international trade implications; and other pertinent factors.

A panel discussion and open exchange of ideas at the October 13 forum will explore concepts for future collaboration that will lead to "one-stop shopping" in laboratory accreditation.

Dated: September 5, 1995.

Samuel Kramer,

Associate Director.

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 083095E]

Marine Mammals

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Issuance of modification to permit no. 918 (P191E).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that on August 30, 1995, Permit No. 918, issued to California Department of Fish and Game, 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, was modified.

ADDRESSES: The modification and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130 Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/712-2289); and

Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: E. Ruth Johnson, 301/713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject modification has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the provisions of §§ 216.33(d) and (e) of the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1543 *et seq.*), the regulations governing endangered species permit (50 CFR 217-222), the Fur Seal Act of 1966, and the regulations governing the taking of fur seals (50 CFR 215).

The Permit authorizes up to 30,000 Pacific harbor seals to be inadvertently harassed annually during aerial surveys and an unspecified number of California sea lions (*Zalophus californianus*), Northern elephant seals (*Mirounga angustirostris*), and Northern fur seals (*Callorhinus ursinus*) will be opportunistically harassed during these surveys. This Permit was extended until September 30, 1999.

Dated: August 31, 1995.

Ann D. Terbush,

Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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New England Fishery Management Council; Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a 2-day public meeting to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone.

DATES: The meeting will be held on September 13, 1995, at 10:00 a.m. and on September 14, 1995, at 9:00 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Mariner's Church Banquet Center,

368 Fore Street, Portland, ME; telephone: (207) 774-7016.

Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 5 Broadway, Saugus, MA 01906-1097.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Douglas G. Marshall, Executive Director, telephone: (617) 231-0422.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On September 13, the morning session will commence with a report from the Groundfish Committee on the status of Amendment #7 to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan (FMP). There also will be an update and recommendation from the Aquaculture Committee on the Westport Scallop enhancement project.

The Marine Mammal Committee will report during the afternoon session. Following that discussion, the Monkfish Committee will report on the progress to develop a monkfish total allowable catch and evaluate trip limits and qualification criteria for limited access, directed monkfish permits. This will be followed by the Gear Conflict Committee update on the Council's request for emergency action to close areas defined in the Southern New England Deepwater Gear Conflict Resolution.

On September 14, the morning session will begin with an update from the Lobster Committee Chairman on the progress of Amendment #6 to the Lobster FMP. Later, reports will be received from the Council Chairman, Executive Director, Northeast Regional Director, Northeast Fisheries Science Center, Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, U.S. Coast Guard and the Mid-Atlantic Council Liaison.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Douglas G. Marshall at the Council (see **ADDRESSES**), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: September 5, 1995.

Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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COMPETITIVENESS POLICY COUNCIL

Notice of Forthcoming Meeting

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended, the